

IN THE CLAIMS

The following is a complete listing of the claims, and replaces all earlier versions and listings.

1. (previously presented) In a controllable gastric band including a nonextensible back and a first chamber arranged to be on a stoma side of the back for controlling stoma restriction by supplying and discharging liquid to and from the first chamber, the improvements in that
a second chamber is provided on the stoma side of the back, the second chamber communicating with the first chamber in a manner to ensure the controlling of the stoma restriction by a displacement of the liquid between the first and second chambers,
wherein the communicating of the chambers comprises a connection with each other via an auxiliary chamber, wherein
a valve between the second chamber and the auxiliary chamber, the valve allows transport of the liquid only from the second chamber to the auxiliary chamber, and
a further valve between the auxiliary chamber and the first chamber allows transport of the liquid only from the auxiliary chamber to the first chamber.

2. (canceled)

3. (previously presented) A gastric band according to claim 1, characterized in that the chambers are arranged one beside the other for the first chamber to be located aborally.

4. (previously presented) A gastric band according to claim 3, characterized in that the

second chamber is subdivided into two communicating chambers delimiting the first chamber on either side.

5. - 9. (canceled)

10. (previously presented) A gastric band according to claim 1, characterized in that a detection device for detecting an eating activity is provided.

11. (previously presented) A gastric band according to claim 10, characterized in that the detection device is comprised of a device for detecting a deglutition activity.

12. (previously presented) A gastric band according to claim 10, characterized in that the detection device is comprised of a device for detecting the pressure prevailing at the gastric wall or wall of the esophagus.

13. (previously presented) A gastric band according to claim 12, characterized in that a pressure sensor is provided in the second chamber to detect the pressure prevailing at the gastric wall or wall of the esophagus, said pressure sensor being connected with an electronic circuit.

14. (previously presented) A gastric band according to claim 10, characterized in that the detection device is comprised of a device for detecting a peristaltic wave.

15. - 22. (canceled)

23. (previously presented) A gastric band according to claim 1, characterized in that a further liquid-filled chamber is provided for the adaptation of the gastric band.

24. (previously presented) A gastric band according to claim 23, characterized in that said further chamber is connected with a port to be subcutaneously arranged in a manner that liquid can be filled into, or removed from, said chamber by supplying or discharging liquid through said port.

25. (canceled)